

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : Lam, Don T.  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

SIR:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to this Office Action. In response to the Office Action mailed on April 28, 2006, the period for response having been extended herein to August 28, 2006, by payment of the requisite fee for a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and/or remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including a replacement abstract is attached at page 15 of this paper.